period October-December, 1991 consisting of 118 Boxes from Singareni and 68 Boxes from Talcher Coalfield. The actual supply has been 188 Boxes a day during October, November and December upto 10.12.1991. The coal offered in Singareni Coalfields is being loaded by the Railways in full.

Guidelines for Anaesthesia Application

4168. SHRI RAJENDRA KUMAR SHARMA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether an expert committee has been constituted to formulate standards and guidelines to ensure safety of patients when put under anesthesia; and

(b) if so, the details of the committee?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D.K. THARADEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

[*Translation*]

Line between Farrukhabad and Gola

4169. DR. G.L. KANAUJIA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any survey was conducted for laying a railway line between Farrukhabad and Gola via Shahjahanpur;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which the construction work is likely to be started thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). The survey was conducted in 1977. the cost of the 153.32 km line was then assessed at Rs. 24.57 crores with a negative rate of return. As the work was unremunerative and Railways are facing a resource crunch, it has not been found possible to take up the work.

[*English*]

Recruitment for Vacant Posts

4170. SHRI PRITHVIRAJ D. CHAVAN:
PROF. SUSANTA CHAKRABORTY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there are large number of vacancies in the various department of Railways for long time;

(b) the reasons for not filling those vacancies within reasonable period;

(c) the scheme proposed to improve the working of the Railway Recruitment Boards for quick recruitment;

(d) whether the workers are being rendered surplus due to computerisation of railway sectors; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken to absorb them in other sectors?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) and (b). Vacancies arise due to various reasons like staff demitting service, resignation, death etc. The occurrence of vacancies and filling up is a continuous process and hence at any given point of time, there will always be few vacancies to be filled up.